



2006 SOUTH AUSTRALIA AT A GLANCE



South Australia has an area of 985,335 square kilometres. The estimated population at June 2005 was 1,542,033. The Gross State Product of South Australia was \$58,186m in 2004–05, which was 6.8% of Australia’s Gross Domestic Product.

Significant elements of the South Australian economy are agriculture and horticulture (including wine) products, machinery, mineral resources, aquaculture and fisheries. This brochure provides a general overview of South Australia.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA AS A PROPORTION OF AUSTRALIA

	%
Area	12.8
Population	7.6
Unemployed persons – trend	7.2
Labour force – trend	7.4
Merchandise imports	3.8
Merchandise exports	6.0
Gross value of agricultural commodities	12.4
Gross value of aquaculture and fisheries production	21.1
Retail turnover	7.3



CLIMATE(a)

Average Daily Temperature – 2005					Average annual rainfall (mm)*
	January		July		
Location	Max	Min	Max	Min	
Adelaide	29.1	16.8	15.7	7.7	558.1
Ceduna	28.3	14.7	17.6	5.3	292.1
Coober Pedy	35.9	20.6	18.7	7.2	159.1
Mt. Gambier	25.8	11.6	13.9	6.2	775.4
Pt. Augusta	33.4	18.9	17.2	5.2	242.8
* Average annual rainfall – 2004.					
(a) Source: Bureau of Meteorology, Adelaide.					

POPULATION

Composition		SA	Aust.
		Jun 2005	Jun 2005
Total population	'000	1 542	20 329
Male population	'000	764	10 111
Female population	'000	778	10 218
Population			
Aged 0–14 years	%	18.4	19.6
Aged 15–64 years	%	66.4	67.3
Aged 65 years and over	%	15.2	13.1
Median age of total population	years	38.8	36.6
		Jun 2004	Jun 2004
Indigenous population	'000	27.1	484.0
Median age of indigenous population	years	21.2	20.8
Population growth		2004–05	2004–05
Births	'000	17.4	257.9
Deaths	'000	11.3	130.9
Net overseas migration	'000	6.7	110.1
Net interstate migration	'000	–3.5	. .
Total population increase	'000	9.3	237.1
Total population growth	%	0.61	1.18

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

Living arrangements		SA	Aust.
		2004	2004
Average family size – persons	no.	2.9	3.0
Families with children aged under 15 years	'000	162	2 224
Couple families	'000	345	4 550
Proportion of persons aged 65 years and over living alone	%	31.2	28.6
Family formation			
Marriage rate (per 1,000 population)	rate	5.1	5.5
Divorce rate (per 1,000 population)	rate	2.7	2.6
Median duration of marriage until final separation	years	10.0	8.7
Total fertility rate (per female)	rate	1.71	1.77
Births outside marriage – of all births	%	35.6	32.2

CRIME AND JUSTICE

Victims(a)		SA	Aust.
		2004	2004
Homicide and related offences	rate	5.9	3.9
Robbery	rate	80.8	82.0
Motor vehicle theft	rate	685.1	437.2

(a) Rate per 100,000 persons.

INTERNET ACTIVITY

		SA	Aust.
		Mar qtr 2005	Mar qtr 2005
Internet service providers	no.	61	689
Subscribers	'000	416	5 980
Data downloaded	mill. MBs	888	14 124

HEALTH

Health status

		SA	Aust.
		2004	2004

Life expectancy at birth

Males years 78.0 78.1

Females years 83.1 83.0

Mortality

Standardised death rate (per 1,000 population) rate 6.2 6.3

Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births) rate 3.2 4.7

Causes of death(a)

2001–03 2001–03

Leading causes

Cancer rate 188 187

Ischaemic heart disease rate 134 129

Stroke rate 60 61

Motor vehicle traffic accidents rate 10 8

Males aged 15–24 years rate 28 25

Females aged 15–24 years rate 9 8

(a) Rate per 100,000 persons.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME

		SA	Aust.
		2004–05	2004–05
Gross household disposable income per capita	\$	25 513	27 468
		Aug 2005	Aug 2005
Average weekly total earnings - all employees - trend	\$	696	805

WORK

Labour force – trend

		SA	Aust.
		Dec 2005	Dec 2005

Total labour force '000 743 10 025

Participation rate % 62.0 64.3

Females - of total labour force % 45.5 45.0

Total unemployed '000 39.3 543.7

Unemployment rate % 5.0 5.1

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

		SA	Aust.
		2004	2004
School students	'000	249	3 332
Students in government schools	%	66.7	67.5
Education participation – of all aged 15–19	%	69.7	76.2
Education participation – of all aged 20–24	%	31.8	37.7
Apprentices and trainees	'000	32.7	395.6
		2003	2003
Vocational Education and Training (VET) students	'000	112.7	1 717.8
Higher education students	'000	63.0	930.0
Overseas students - of all higher education students	%	23.4	22.6

PRICES

		Adelaide	Aust.(a)
		2004–05 (b)	2004–05 (b)
Consumer Price Index (CPI)			
All groups	% chg	3.0	3.0
Food	% chg	3.9	3.3
Clothing and footwear	% chg	–0.6	–1.8
Housing	% chg	2.5	3.9
Health	% chg	4.9	4.6
House Price Index			
Established house(c)	% chg	4.2	1.0
Project home	% chg	2.9	5.3

(a) Weighted average for eight capital cities.

(b) Sep qtr 2004 to Sep qtr 2005.

(c) Preliminary figures – subject to revision.

STATE ACCOUNTS(a)

		SA	Aust.
		2004–05	2004–05
State/domestic final demand	\$m	62 325	892 645
Final consumption expenditure			
Households	\$m	36 986	514 349
Total government	\$m	11 177	155 940
Gross fixed capital formation			
Private	\$m	12 476	189 283
Public	\$m	1 686	33 071
Gross state/domestic product	\$m	58 186	857 765

(a) Chain volume measures, reference year 2003–04.

MERCHANDISE TRADE

		SA	Aust.
		2004–05	2004–05
Total exports	\$m	7 641	126 811
Total imports	\$m	5 711	149 472

RETAIL TRADE

		SA	Aust.
		2004–05	2004–05
Retail turnover	\$m	14 654	201 235
Food retailing	\$m	6 099	80 371
Hospitality and services	\$m	2 349	31 832
Household goods retailing	\$m	2 194	29 929

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES

		SA	Aust.
		2004–05	2004–05
All vehicles	no.	64 049	980 680

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION(a)

		SA	Aust.
		Sep qtr 2005	Sep qtr 2005
Hotels, motels and serviced apartments			
Number	no.	258	4 172
Guest arrivals	'000	506.3	9 853.1
(a) Establishments containing 15 or more rooms.			

CONSTRUCTION

		SA	Aust.
		2004–05	2004–05
Commenced			
New houses	no.	8 188	104 177
Total dwelling units	no.	10 437	156 158
Value of work done			
New residential building	\$m	1 690.4	32 461.7
Non-residential building	\$m	1 301.8	19 684.5
Engineering construction	\$m	1 970.3	32 379.5

INDUSTRY

Agriculture		SA	Aust.
		Jun 2004	Jun 2004
Establishments with agricultural activity	no.	14 238	130 526
Area planted to crops	'000 ha	4 454	26 080
Area of farms	'000 ha	52 520	440 110
		2003–04	2003–04
Gross value of total agriculture	\$m	4 547.6	36 562.0
Barley	\$m	453.2	1 741.2
Grapes	\$m	791.4	1 662.7
Wheat	\$m	805.0	5 711.2
Manufacturing		2002–03	2002–03
Sales and service income	\$m	28 435	309 283
Wages and salaries	\$m	4 094	45 887
Mining			
Mineral commodities produced	\$m	1 682.6	51 721.4
Metallic minerals	\$m	726.3	19 043.1
Coal, oil and gas	\$m	742.9	29 701.4
Construction materials	\$m	121.5	1 345.4
Other non-metallic minerals	\$m	91.9	1 631.4
Fisheries and Aquaculture(a)		2003–04	2003–04
Quantity caught	'000 t	59.9	266.6
Gross value	\$m	460.29	2 179.6
(a) Source: Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics.			

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED

\$m	— million dollars	no.	— number
'000	— thousand	%	— per cent
ha	— hectares	qtr	— quarter
MB	— Megabyte	t	— tonne
mill.	— millions	% chg	— percentage change

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